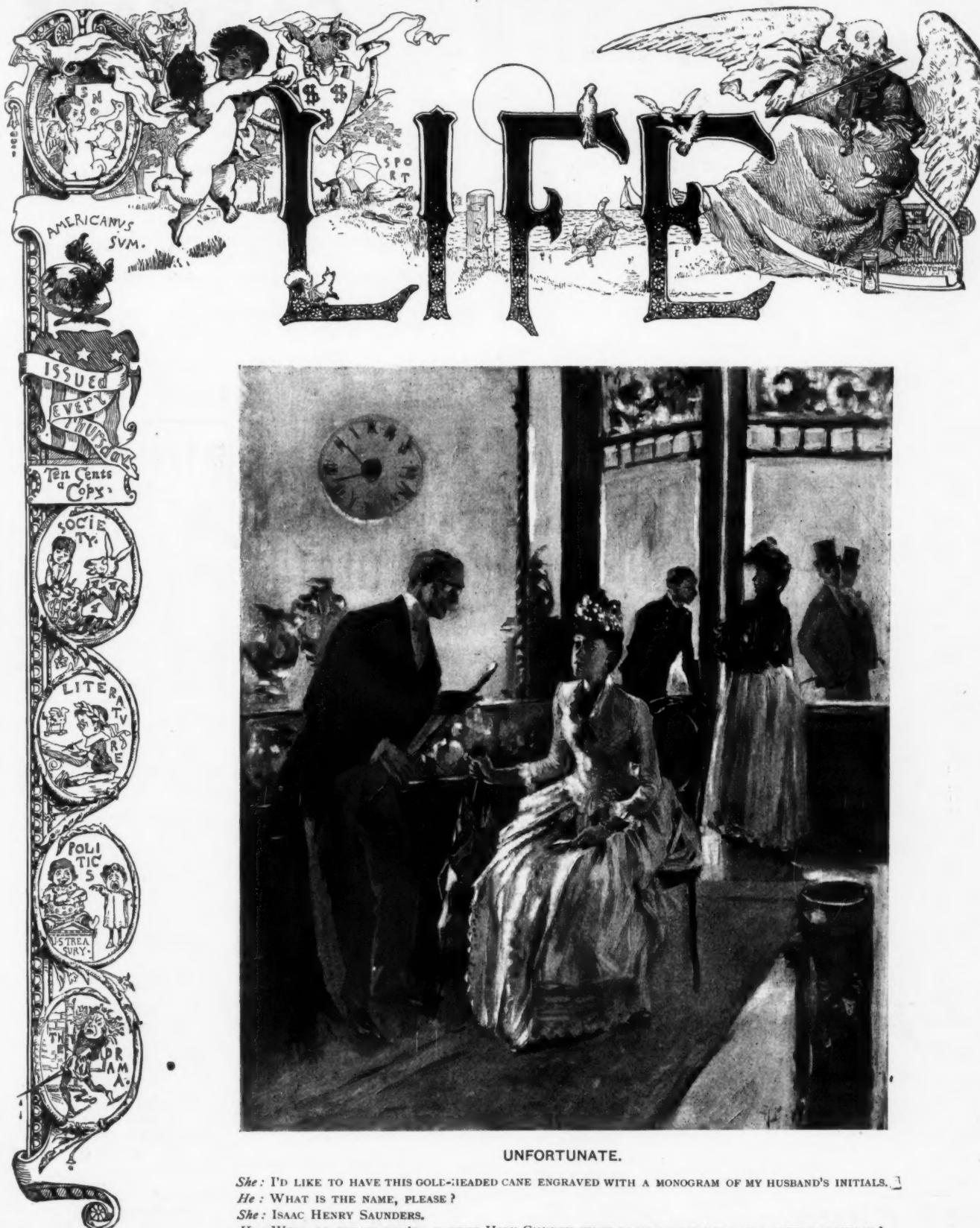


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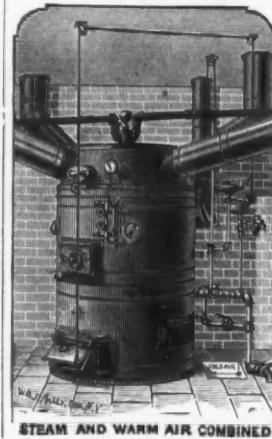
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(What he says.)

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"SHALL we marry, darling; or, shall we knot?" was the short and witty line an ardent lover dispatched to the idol of his heart. But, where the strangeness of the matter comes in, the girl replied: "I shall not! You can do as you please."

VE was the most particular of ladies. She wore a walking costume that "can't be duplicated" now.

PENSIONS, LIKE KINGS, NEVER DIE.

PENSION AGENT: Want a pension, eh? What's your claim?

FIEND: Waal, my grand father was the third husband o' the widow of a veteran of 1812, an' as near as I can figger it out, there ain't no one but me left to represent the old lady's claim.

WOULD NEVER DO.

"YOUR references are very satisfactory, but I cannot engage you."

"May I enquire why not, madam?" asked the would-be butler.

"Your hair is red, and my dining room is decorated in robin's-egg blue."

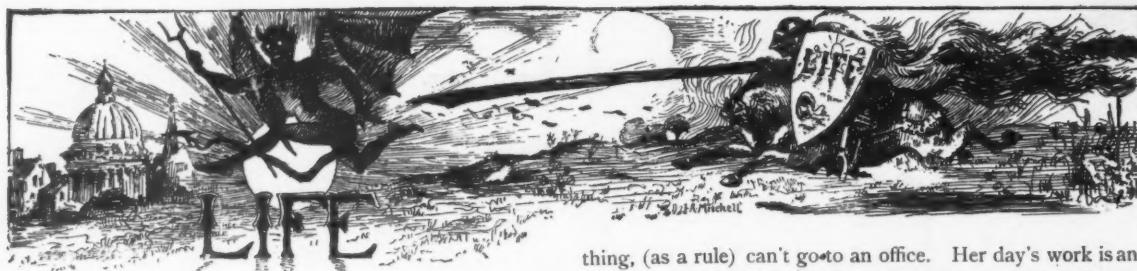
YOU MAKE ME TIRED—said the wagon wheel to the blacksmith.



NOT A BEAUTY SPOT.

Civilization: WHAT A DREADFUL BLOT! I CAN'T MAKE ANY IMPRESSION UPON IT!

The World: OH, THAT'S RUSSIA!



"While there's Life there's Hope."

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MR. CHARLES DUDLEY WARNER, who is a literary man, and interested in the sale of books, probably acts from interested motives in letting loose his alarming theory that American women are monopolizing American culture. Mr. Warner has observed the tendency of young females of this generation to aggregate themselves into groups, meeting weekly for the cultivation of what by the courtesy of the males they are permitted to term their intellectuals. Because young women run to clubs and associations as they do, Mr. Warner would have us believe that they are doing about all the reading that is being done, and are getting the bulk of the culture, bating a few stray spears of it that ministers and professional literary men pick up in the exercise of their callings. Mr. Warner insinuates that the men occupy their working hours in money-making, and that their conversation in moments of recreation tends to relate to matters connected with business, varied by such topics as "horse" and feeding, and he assumes to have forebodings as to what the contemporary young man's feelings will be when some girl undertakes sometime to talk to him about some new book.

LIFE cannot tell Mr. Warner that he does not know anything—the Hartford editor is too considerable a gun to be spoked in any such peremptory manner; but remembering that it is not four weeks since we heard him described as a man who likes women's society, LIFE can say that he ought to know better than to be scared at the thought of those clubs. Mr. Warner, as an expert in feminine traits, ought to need no one to tell him that it is the instinct of the average young female to do things collectively. Mr. Warner seems to think that she gets up clubs because she likes books. Simple male! The truth is that she gets up literature because she likes clubs. She will take up with anything from Browning to working-girls, that gives her occasion to aggregate herself of a morning with other young females and taste the sweets of companionship.

Not that LIFE blames her! Far from it. Woman, poor

thing, (as a rule) can't go to an office. Her day's work is an irregular sort of a job that keeps her more or less at home. Her clubs and classes take her out, gives her set occupation, wake up her faculties and do her good—very much the same sort of good a man gets from selling coal or stocks, or discussing measures to keep the moths out of last winter's unsold woolens. But the idea that she learns so much as to make the men uncomfortable is a mistake. She will impart to the young man, in the first place, everything that she gathered in at her club, and he will get the benefit of it. And in the next place, the only people who get hold of book knowledge enough to make anyone uncomfortable are those who read at home to themselves, in their odd minutes, and in their even hours, because they like it.

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FROM a professional point of view it is mean for Mr. Warner to go back on his men. They are his true friends and supporters. If a man wants to read a book he buys it, and if he likes it he buys six more copies and gives them (not all the same day, of course), to six women whose intelligence he respects. But if a club of fifteen girls determine to read a book, do they buy fifteen copies? No. Do they buy five copies? No. Do they buy—no, they don't buy at all; they borrow a copy. It doesn't lie in womankind to spend money for books, unless they are meant to be a gift for some man.

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THE composure with which the average citizen gathers in the intelligence that half of Wall street is to let, is a lesson in self-control. He is sorry the Louisville people got so blown about; he is sorry the Dakota people are so short of supplies; he is sorry the Louisiana people got afloat; that the farmers are poor, and that the dry goods district feels shaky; but tell him that the brokers are starving, and he "larfs" sarcastically.

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IT is reported that Col. Watterson lately lost \$1900 at a whack at poker. But then it was also reported the other day that a dancing party had been given in Deacon Harrison's residence in Washington. It doesn't do to believe everything you hear, even between campaigns. Lump statements like the above and let them offset one another.

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WHEN thieves fall out honest men get their due—except in New York. There has been a tremendous falling out among our Tammany politicians, but judging by previous experience, this means no good to the community at large.



Miss A: JACK IS ATTRACTED BY MISS GILTER'S MONEY RATHER THAN BY HER PERSONAL CHARMs, ISN'T HE?

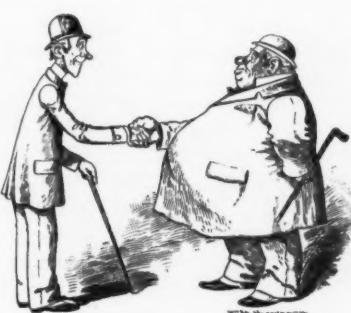
*Miss B: I JUDGE SO. I HEARD HIM SPEAK OF HER THE OTHER DAY AS HIS *financée*.*

WHEREFORE this modesty and silence on the part of the enterprising city of Chicago? There was a certain vivaciousness in the atmosphere of the United States not long since which has now completely disappeared. Without Chicago clamoring for or about the World's Fair life becomes a dull monotony, reminding us of nothing so much as a bottle of champagne from which the gas has escaped.

THE Basque language is said to contain the word "Ardanzes- aroyareniturracoburua."—At last we have a hint of the language that the L-guards use in announcing stations.

"ALL gone," murmured Ponsonby sadly, as he surveyed his bald head in the mirror. "Not even a part remains."

HALF a loaf is better than the dyspepsia.



AN EXTENSIVE ACQUAINTANCE.



DUTY FREE.

"IS THAT YOUR DOMESTIC?"
"NO. SHE IS MY IMPORTED."



BRET HARTE AGAIN.

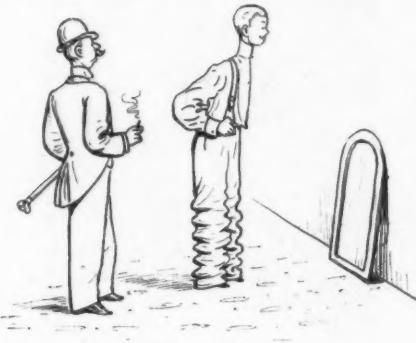
FROM the days of "The Luck of Roaring Camp" to the present Bret Harte has been fond of putting children in his stories—strange, precocious creatures with the irresponsibility of their age and something of the acuteness and eccentricity of grown folks. Of all his children one perhaps delights most to remember "The Queen of the Pirate Isle"—with the utterly inappropriate but very pretty pictures by Kate Greenaway.

His latest story, "A Waif of the Plains" (Houghton), adds another portrait to his Children's Gallery. There is nothing modern about it. Here are the materials which Bret Harte himself has made antique by long and frequent usage. We are out on the Great Plains again with him in the rude days of 1852—following with intense interest a train of hooded emigrant wagons across the "long level of dull gray that further away became a faint blue, with here and there darker patches that looked like water." Two children—a boy of eleven and a girl of seven—slide from the last wagon of the creaking train and play and loiter until suddenly they discover that the boundless prairie has swallowed up every trace of oxen, wagons and teamsters. Around these children, especially the boy, *Clarence*, the story revolves—if there can be said to be a story, for the

incidents are few and conventional. There are an Indian massacre and a buffalo hunt, it is true, but both are mildly blood-curdling. The luxury of London has, perhaps, somewhat dulled the author's recollection of that sort of thing. It is just as well—for the children are more entertaining than gore.

Of course, there is a long-lost father—

A WARNING TO LIGHT YOUNG MEN.



A MODERN INSTANCE.

KING MIDAS let his barber know His secret; then the whole world heard his fears. Now tell me, do the poets grow Long locks, so they may hide the asses' ears?



a most gentlemanly villain—and a heap of money for the hero at the end of the story. In Fable-Land, "where hopes and loves crowd thick as Heaven's stars," it is only right that material and sentimental treasures should be heavily awarded to the deserving. If such things are not the rule in the world we are most familiar with, that is the best reason for having them happen in Fable-Land. A very wise satirist with a gentle heart, who spent much time in that beautiful country, said, you will remember, "that anything you like happens in Fable-Land."

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THE noticeable thing about the "Recollections" of George W. Childs is the entire absence of anything like animosity, malice or bitterness. He seems to remember only what is good and honest in the people he has met. There are very shrewd men who would assert that such a temperament ought to be fatal to success in business, where the foundation of prosperity lies in distrust of your fellow-men. But Mr. Childs has proved that even a journalist can be generous to his enemies and just to his friends.

Drock.

NEW BOOKS.

THE DANVERS JEWELS AND SIR CHARLES DANVERS. New York: Harper and Brothers.

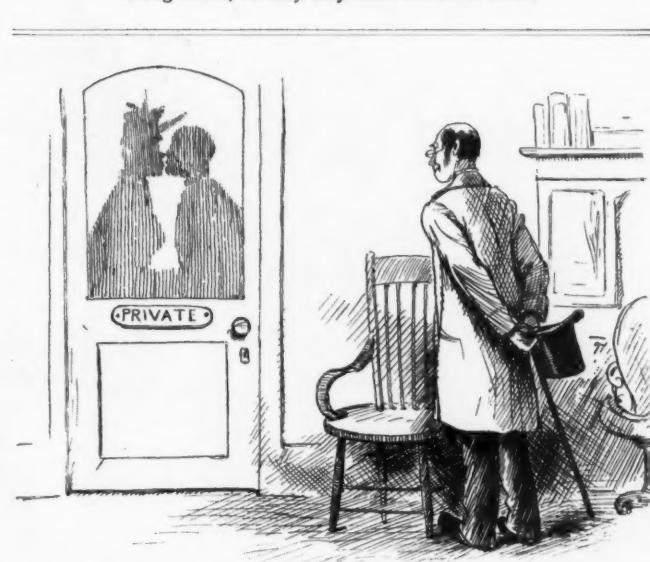
The Feet of Love. By Anne Reeve Aldrich. New York: Worthington and Company.

UNJUST SUSPICION.

MMR. H—: Tut, tut, Benny mustn't strike grandpa.

BABY MCKEE (*indignantly*): I wasn't going to. I never hit a man smaller than myself.

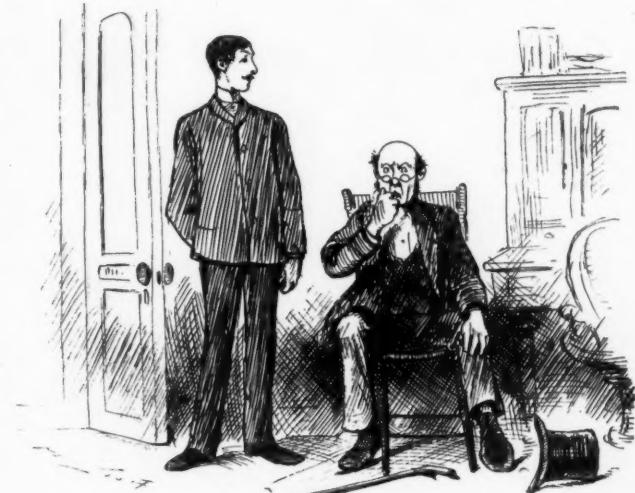
TAKING THINGS EASY—Pickpockets.



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Enter Mr. Sorrel, a client.

Sorrel (laughing): HA! HA! HA! NO WONDER HE DIDN'T HEAR ME KNOCK; I WOULDN'T HEAR EITHER UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES. THE YOUNG DOG! I ENVY HIM



Five minutes later.
Enter Brown.

Brown: HALLO, SORREL, IS THAT YOU? COME INTO THE PRIVATE OFFICE; YOUR WIFE'S BEEN WAITING OVER AN HOUR TO SEE YOU.

• LIE •



SOCIAL NUISANCE

THE MAN WHO NEVER KNOWS WHEN HE

• LIE •



AL NUISANCES.

OWS WHEN HE HAS TALKED ENOUGH.



INNOCENCE ABROAD.

He : AND WHERE ARE YOU GOING NEXT?
She (*Cook's tourist*) : MILAN.
He : WHY, YOU ARE IN MILAN, NOW.
She : OH! ARE WE? WELL, THEN, GENEVA.

HE sits on the ragged edge of despair,
 The poet who writes in a bottomless chair.

A FEW REMARKS.

MAIDEN — *seule*.



HERE he comes! How handsome he is, and what a graceful walk! He wears his eye-glass like an Apollo. I wonder what he is coming for a' this time of the day? It cannot be a 'call, so it must be an errand—probably wants me to go to the matinee. I'll object, of course, but will finally consent. I really do want to see the opera again—especially, when I can talk to him through the dull parts.

No, he is carrying a parcel. Looks like candy, or flowers; and what a lot! I wonder if he will want to see me, or will merely leave them. Ah! he is leaving them. He smiles and looks embarrassed. I know he loves me or it would not affect him that way. He is gone! Here, Jane, bring them to me at once. What a large box! Flowers or candy? I must open it quick and find out. Never mind the knot—break the string. Pshaw!! my rubbers I left in the dressing-room, last night. How mean people are! He does not love me, or he would have brought them in a smaller box.

Tom Hall.

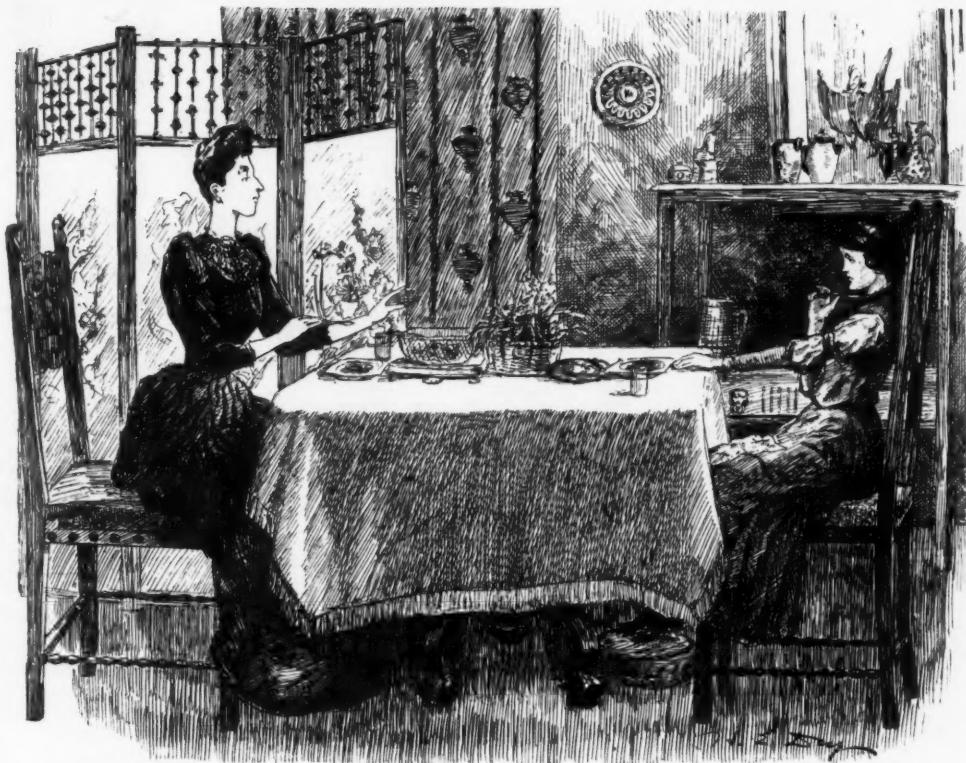
YE BACHELOR'S THANKS.
SHE'S shown herself a shrew and yet
 I can't forget
 I owe my happiness to her.
 'Twas this way, sir.
 I asked her once to wed and she
 Rejected me.



QUICKLY ARRANGED.

Old Million : WHAT? WANT TO MARRY MY DAUGHTER? WHY,
 THE CHILD IS HARDLY OUT OF SCHOOL DRESSES YET. SHE NEEDS
 A MOTHER'S CARE AS MUCH AS EVER, SIR.
Young Poorchap : OH, THAT'S ALL RIGHT. I'LL LIVE HERE.

THE cat has nine lives, which shows that Nature had a pretty fair idea of what the cat would have to go through.



Nellie : BUT I DON'T LIKE STRAWBERRIES THIS TIME OF YEAR, AUNTIE; I'D RATHER WAIT A MONTH UNTIL THEY ARE SWEETER AND BETTER.

Auntie : YES, I DARE SAY YOU WOULD PREFER TO WAIT UNTIL THEY ARE HAWKED ABOUT THE STREETS. WELL, CHILD, IF YOU DO NOT LIKE SOUR BERRIES NOW BETTER THAN SWEET ONES WHEN THEY ARE TO BE HAD BY THE COMMONEST SORT OF PEOPLE YOU ARE SADLY LACKING IN THE FIRST ELEMENTS OF EXCLUSIVENESS.



A BRIGHT IDEA.

Smith : SAY, GUS, HAVE YOU SEEN MY NEW PATENT LAMP? BY SIMPLY PRESSING THIS LEVER YOU INCREASE THE BRILLIANCE OF THE LI—



"D—N IT! I KNEW IT WOULD DO THAT!"

THREE DAYS OUT FROM SANDY HOOK.

CAPTAIN OF THE NAUSEA : And now, madame, we are only four miles from land.

LADY (anxious to get ashore) : Where? where?

CAPTAIN OF THE NAUSEA (pointing downward) : There!

CENSUS TAKING IN THE FUTURE.

CENSUS-TAKER in 1976, to old lady: "Your age, please?"

"90."

"Place of birth?"

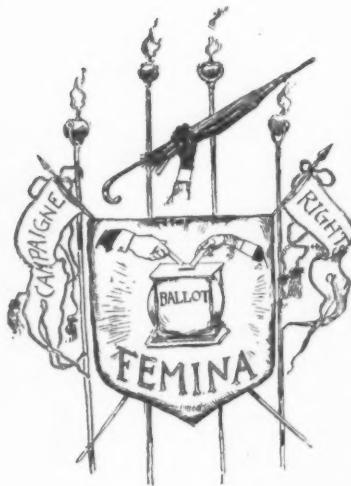
"Ohio."

"Mother of presidents?"

"One."

"Kissed by Gen. Sherman?"

"Twice."



predecessors. Further, and in equal confidence, we would suggest that man is not the worst tyrant after all, but that the woman of fashion is the real enemy. The force of this remark will be better understood when it is considered how fashionable raiment has worked against woman's happiness and usefulness, and how the fear of other women's opinions has retarded the advancement of women.

THE Woman's Rights woman of to-day is a more agreeable person than her predecessor of a few years ago. She is not so clamorous for her right to vote as she is for her rights to share some of the other privileges of men—especially his independence in making his living, and living his life in the way that suits him best. Confidentially we would suggest to our sisters of Sorosis and of the other clubs that have lately come together in convention, that they are on a better tack than were their



From *Le Piquillo*.

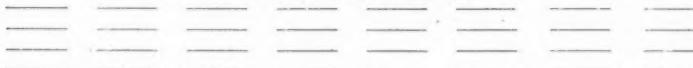
"COME AND BE WASHED, TOTO."

"NO, NO, NO! IT'S UNHEALTHY FOR ME; AND—BESIDES I AM NOT DIRTY ENOUGH YET!"



Nearsighted Sportsman : NOW, ISN'T THAT IRRITATING! SHOT MY LAST CARTRIDGE AWAY AND IT ISN'T A RABBIT AFTER ALL!

A BIT OF BLANK VERSE.



AFTER THE BALL.

(RONDEAU.)

AFTER the ball—the dance strains fall,
Swoon and sob through my soul, and call
"Eheu!" for moments gone for aye,
When thro' the waltz's sweep and sway,
I guided Ethel, fair and tall.
Dear were those moments; her sweet thrall
Made in my heart mad festival;
Dear were the words I heard her say
After the ball.

Dear was everything, great and small,
That filled those hours. As now I scrawl
These lines I sigh, for I, to-day,
Searching my pockets find,—what, pray?
—A dime—two nickels—that is all!

After the ball.

Frank Newton Holman.

MISS VASSAR: Yes, it's one of Dumas' novels; but it doesn't read that way.

MR. ENGLISH: I beg pardon, but I'm sure it does; I remember it distinctly.

MISS VASSAR: Well, I remember just the reverse. I read it in the French while I was at the college, and all we girls talked about it.

MR. ENGLISH: Ah, that explains your mistake. I read the translation.



POOR JERSEY!

THERE'S a stir in the meadows these glad days of Spring,
When the violets open and the birds northward wing;
But out in New Jersey the residents sigh,
And wipe a sad tear from each brimming eye,
For the mosquitoes begin now to sing. —*Boston Budget.*

FLOTT, the volunteer, left the barracks without permission. As the young man is a general favorite, his corporal determined, if possible, to shield him from punishment. Accordingly, he wrapped a sweeping brush in a blanket and laid it in the volunteer's bed. The officer on duty, who is rather short-sighted, soon after went the round of the beds until he came to Flott's. "Who lies here," he asked the corporal.

"Volunteer Flott," was the reply.

"Flott, eh? The disorderly fellow is so intent on pleasure that he totally neglects himself. (The corporal trembles in the belief that the fraud is discovered.) You may tell volunteer Flott to-morrow to get his hair cut. Good night!"—*Flegende Blätter.*

AN English paper alleges that "on a recent trip to Europe, the chief-justice of the supreme court of Texas was introduced to an English member of Parliament. The introduction was made, not by name, but by the judicial title of the American visitor. 'Oh, yes,' said the Englishman, 'I have heard of you. Your name is Judge Lynch.'—*Argonaut.*

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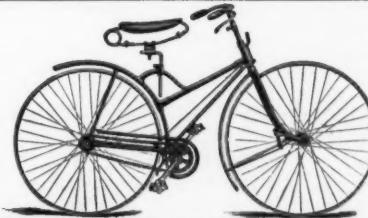
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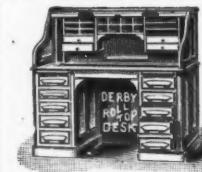
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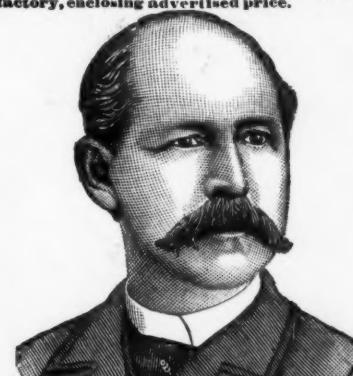
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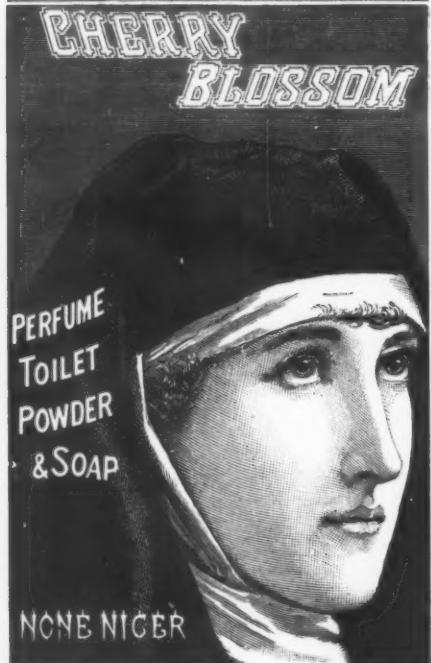
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